

PURDY SAYS:

Why let so many of your little chickens die when Conkley's Butter-milk starting feed will save practically all of them?

THE WEATHER.

Summer-time weather up to and including Sunday. Then came rain. Perhaps two inches fell Sunday night and during the day Monday. Then it became quite cool, too cool for comfort. But Old Sol is now beaming down with his bright rays and all will soon be lovely again.

Milt Householder finished planting 180 acres of corn a few days ago.

Miss Elizabeth Huth is home from a business trip to Chicago.

Rev. Henry Neighbours and wife of McCredie, were Mexico visitors Saturday.

Nine crap shooters were haled before Judge Harry Stocks Monday and each caught a fine of \$27.50.

T. J. Kelso and H. E. C. Tucker are attending the State meeting of the Knight Templars at Springfield.

Audrain county farmers have planted from 25 to 50 per cent more corn this season than ever before, so it is estimated.

Some More Coming.

Another style of Moon buggies at old price. Contracted for over a year ago.

Mexico Hwd. & Furn. Co.

Several of our young men drove in autos to Laddonia Sunday night and were caught in the rain and were compelled to walk home.

Presiding Elder A. C. Johnson, after preaching at Littleby church last Sunday morning, returned to Fulton ahead of the rain.

Frank A. Edwards, of near Long Branch, and John Ellis, of Molino, attended the Quarterly Conference of Mexico Circuit Saturday afternoon.

Walter Williams, dean of the school of Journalism at Columbia, visited his sister in this city Monday, Mrs. H. B. Barks. Mr. Williams was on his way to Shelbyville, Mo., where he was to deliver an address to high school graduates.

It Rusts Quick Enough.

But we have the genuine screen wire that defies the longer than any other.

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Real Estate Deals

Claudia Day to E. C. Kennen. Warranty. Consideration \$15. Int in Lot 7, blk 3, Case's Add, Laddonia and in Est Jas and Bettie Monroe.

Alex Monroe to E. C. Kennen. Warranty. Consideration \$15. Int in Lot 7, blk 3, Case's Add, Laddonia and in Est Jas and Bettie Monroe.

E. C. Kennen to Peoria M. Kennen. Warranty. Consideration \$450. S 1-2 of block 4, Earhart's Add to Laddonia, except E 60 feet.

Annie M. Reid et al to James H and Fannie Coleman. Warranty. Consideration \$1. Lot 3, block 18, Ladd's Add to Mexico.

Chas Alexander to George E. Tugle. Warranty. Consideration \$100. 1-12 int in SE SE of 20 and N 30 A of NE NE of 29-51-5.

C. J. Earnst to M. A. Lewis. Warranty. Consideration \$3000. NE NE of 28-50-7.

M. A. Lewis to C. J. and Bertha J. Earnst. Warranty. Consideration \$3,200. NE NE of 28-50-7.

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Jack Beatty to Roy Werner. Warranty. Consideration \$1,000. Block 6, Park View Add to Vandalia.

Sue M. Alford to C. G. Tippet. Warranty. Consideration \$400. Lots 4 and 5, block 18, Ely and Daniel's Add to Vandalia.

Sue M. Alford to J. F. Coontz. Warranty. Consideration \$350. Lot 6, blk 18, Ely and Daniel's Add to Vandalia.

David B. Smith to James R. Smith. Warranty. Consideration \$8,000. N 85 A of NW of 23-50-8.

F. L. Warner to Harry C. Hill and August H. Haag. Warranty. Consideration \$18,900. NW of 23 and E 40 A of NE of 21-50-8.

L. Ahrens to Joseph Sandbothe. Quit-claim. Consideration \$700. Tract on First Street, Martinsburg.

Emma Bell to James W. Coons. Warranty. Consideration \$8,000. E 1-2 of NE of 14-52-7.

BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS

Rev. H. P. Atkins delivered the baccalaureate sermon at the Christian church Sunday morning for the graduates of McMillan High School. It was a highly inspiring and helpful address. He emphasized the principles of good fellowship learned in school. They are the principles of democracy, the application of which in later life will lead to true democracy.

A quartet, composed of Robert Campbell, Theodore Winans, Curtis Mitchell and George Wagner, sang several most pleasing numbers. Sims Rixey sang a beautiful solo.

REGISTRATION DAY SET.

Every Young Man Between the Age of 21 and 30 Years Inclusive Must Register June Fifth.

Washington, D.C., May 19.—President Wilson last night signed the War Army Bill and issued a proclamation putting its plan of selective conscription into effect. All men in the country between 21 and 30 inclusive must register themselves for military service June 5th, next.

The proclamation sets in motion immediate machinery that will enroll and sift ten million men and pave the way for the selection of the first half million young, effective soldiers without crippling the industries of commerce of the Nation or bringing hardship on those at home.

Even before the bill was signed the War Department announced that the full strength of the national guard would be drafted into the United States Army, beginning July 15 and concluding August 5th. Orders to bring the regiments to full war strength immediately accompanied the notification sent to all Governors. A minimum of 325,000 fighting men will be brought to the colors under those orders, supplementing the 293,000 regulars who will be under arms by June 15th.

It is from these forces that the first armies to join General Pershing at the front will be drawn, to be followed within a few months by recurring waves from the selective draft armies, the first half million of whom will be mobilized September 1st.

THOMPSON LETTER

Thompson, Mo., May 21, 1917.—We are having fine showers. Most all the farmers are having to replant their corn.

J. B. Nevins and family, Ed Crawford and family and Mrs. W. H. Dempsey and Lawrence Winn visited Otherv Nevins and family Sunday.

J. E. Beatty and family and Miss Ella Geary visited Brish Daniel and family, near Centralia, Sunday.

Vernon Smith and family visited T. J. Beatty and family Sunday.

Barbary Brenton underwent an operation of the throat Saturday. Drs. Jolley & Griffin, of Mexico, did the work.

J. T. Beatty bought another car of cattle in Kansas City recently and had them shipped to Sturgeon where he has them on pasture.

E. M. Morris lost a good 2-year-old mule recently by being kicked.

J. M. Jones and Thos. Brenton sold their woodlot last week at 54 cents.

Hiram Ferguson has purchased a new car.

Mr. Ed Brown returned to his home in Stoddard county last week after a few days' visit with his daughter, Mrs. Sumner Davis.

LADDONIA LETTER.

The baccalaureate services for the Laddonia High School were held at the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. P. Rowllson of Hannibal delivered a very impressive sermon, much enjoyed by all. The church was beautifully decorated in the class colors, gold and green. The class was composed of the following: Misses Edna Akridge, Fay Stevens, Norine Clark and Mollie Brown. The commencement exercises will be held at the Opera House Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, and Friday night the graduates will give their Class Play, entitled "The Little Savages."

James Coon has purchased the Biny Bell farm north of town. Price \$75 per acre.

Mrs. Quisenberry and daughter, Mrs. James Finley, of Kansas City, have been visiting their son brother, Judge Quisenberry, of this place for the past week. Mrs. Finley left Sunday for Kentucky, where she will visit her sister before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stotler, of Martinsburg, visited relatives at this place last week.

Dr. Hollingsworth, of Vandalia, visited his daughter, Mrs. G. C. Weis, Sunday and attended the baccalaureate sermon.

BELLS WILL RING THE

REGISTRATION HOUR.

Washington, D. C., May 22.—Plans for the celebration of registration day were outlined today.

Church and fire bells will ring when the hour for registration comes and the kindfolds of the men subject to the provisions of the selective draft are to be permitted to march with them to the registration places. Every honor, Mr. Gifford suggests, should be paid to the men who are offering themselves to the common cause of democracy.

Mrs. Oscar Martin of this city is at St. Luke's Hospital in St. Louis where she will undergo an operation. Her sister, Mrs. E. L. Pasqueth, and Mr. Martin are with her.

George Edwards and wife living near Long Branch, were trading in Mexico last Saturday.

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ROASTING PANS

Double Bakers, good size roast, a 25c value at, each...10c

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5c and 10c Yd All colors, satin and taffeta ribbons.

Men's Athletic Union Suits

Made of a good count nainsook. Elastic back; a 65c union, at...49c

Men's Balbriggan Union Suits

Short sleeves and ankle length, full bleach genuine closed crotch; a 79c union at...65c

Men's Mesh Union Suits

Good close mesh short sleeve, ankle length closed crotch. Suit...49c

Boys' Athletic Union Suits

Made of good count nainsook, elastic back; a 35c Union, at...25c

Boys' Mesh Union Suits

Good close mesh, short sleeve, knee length; sizes 24 to 34; a 35c Union, at...25c

Women's Knit Unions

Sleeveless, bleached, fine weave union. a 35c union, at...25c

10c Sale of Aluminum Ware

Consisting of one-quart pudding pans, one-quart handled sauce pans, tea strainers, percolators and other pieces worth up to 25c. On sale WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, at 10 O'clock a. m. 10c CHOICE

Bungalow Aprons, made of good quality percale. Assorted stripes and checks A 65c value, at...50c

Men's blue denham work shirts. Assorted colored stripes. Good weight. A 60c value at...49c

Men's Palm Beach Work Shirts; made of good quality shirting. Sizes 14 to 17. A 39c value, at...25c

Men's extra heavy blue denham Work Shirts. Worth on today's market 75c. All sizes 14 1-2 to 17. At...60c

Men's \$1.25 Dress Shirts

Made of good quality madras, white ground, with good assortment of stripes, faced sleeves, double French cuffs, coat style. A good \$1.25 value, at...99c

Men's 59c Soft Collar Shirts

Fine shirting in assorted colored hair line stripes, faced sleeves, lined collar and cuffs. A good 59c value, at...49c

Men's 75c Laundered Shirts

All new stripes, pattern one that is identified in the highest grade of material. Combination of colors. A good 75c value, at...59c

Underpriced Corsets of Quality and Perfect Fitting

Made of extra quality sateen jean, 19-inch back. Trimmed with fine lace and large satin bow. Fully gored, with a medium bust and skirt extending well over the hips. An excellent garment Worth \$1.00; our price...79c

Children's Dresses and Rompers

Made of good quality percales and ginghams. A regular 39c value, at...25c

MATTING RUGS

Good assortment of floral and oriental patterns, 9 x 12, worth \$4. Choice...\$3.49

WOOL AND FIBER RUGS

Seamless wool and fibre rugs, reversible; light and dark oriental colorings; a \$9 value at...\$7.49

INGRAIN RUGS

Seamless cotton Ingrain rugs; fringed on ends. Size 9 x 12; a \$7.98 value at...\$6.49

Brussels Rugs

Seamless one-piece Brussels Rugs, 9x12, in good floral and oriental patterns. \$19.98 values at...\$14.98

Velvet Rugs

Seamless Velvet Rugs, heavy, close weave, in new rich oriental and floral colorings, 9 x 12; a \$30 value, at...\$24.95

Axminster Rugs

Heavy seamed or seamless Axminster Rugs; in floral and oriental designs; 9x12; a \$25 value at...\$22.49

Weekly Market Letter

(Furnished by Woodson-Fennwald L. Com. Co., Nat'l Stock Yds., Ill.)

National Stock Yards, Ill., May 22, 1917.—Cattle receipts have been light this week and the market strong on good steers, 10 to 15c lower on medium steers. Bulk of the prime steers selling from \$13.25 to \$13.65. Choice \$12.75 to \$13.15; good \$12.00 to \$12.65; medium \$9.50 to \$10.25. Choice high heifers \$11.50 to \$12.00; good \$10.00 to \$11.00; medium \$8.75 to \$9.75; fair \$8.50 to \$9.00.

Choice cows \$10.50 to \$11.00; good \$9.75 to \$10.25; medium \$8.25 to \$9.00; cutters \$7.50 to \$8.00. Canners \$7.00 to \$7.25.

Choice bulls \$10.25 to \$10.50; good \$9.50 to \$10.15; medium \$8.50 to \$9.00.

Sheep receipts 2000, market strong. Good fat clipped sheep \$13.50 to \$14.00; clipped lambs good to choice \$16.35 to \$16.75; spring lambs 18 to 20c.

Hog receipts 12,500, market steady, top \$12.45. Bulk of the good butchers and heavy \$16.20 to \$16.45; good mixed and shippers \$15.90 to \$16.15; packers \$15.30 to \$15.45.

Wanted

Scrap iron, scrap auto tires, scrap rubber boots and shoes, scrap rags, hides, feathers, furs and pelts at the highest cash prices.

SAM MORRIS

Supposing You Killed a Man—

or thought you had, would you stay to face the consequences or flee as did J. Montague Smith? From the moment the struggle for liberty begins he is an entirely different character, resourceful, possessed of all the savage joy of the cave-man; before the deed that changed his whole career he was just a smug, satisfied-with-life bank cashier.

The Real Man

is the title of the story written around the adventures and experiences of Smith. It is the new serial about to appear in this paper and you will find it one of the most interesting stories you have read in a long time.

First Installment Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morris of this city have moved to Vandalia where Mr. Morris assumes management of "The Palms." Both splendid people. Mexico regrets to lose them.

Fresh Meats, Groceries

FRESH MEATS AND GROCERIES. The Best Goods for the Least Money. Cash Paid For FAT STOCK, HIDES and PRODUCE. Both phones.

Frank A. Sannebeck,

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SHORT-HORN CATTLE SALE!

AT

Mexico, Mo., Tuesday, May 29, '17

50 - HEAD - 50

20 broad back double-deckers with calves at foot.

20 heifers bread and open. Balance young bulls, including the splendid 4-year-old herd bull.

Lavender General {410986}, Sultan's Victor

and other nice smooth young bulls.

Special attention is called to the entire herd of W. S. Forsythe, included in this offering.

All Northeast Missouri has been searched for good cows of good milk and beef combination. Come and show your appreciation of such an offering in pasture form. All on pasture now and will be until a few days before the sale.

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